

II. CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) A method for establishing a group of at least two wireless radio terminals for wireless radio group communication between the at least two wireless radio terminals, comprising :

bringing ~~the~~ users of the at least two wireless radio terminals into a physical contact;

detecting, by a detecting element, the physical contact between the users of the at least two wireless radio terminals; and

establishing the group of the at least two wireless radio terminals for group communication over a wireless radio link between the at least two wireless radio terminals of the established group, wherein the detecting element is located on each wireless radio terminal.

2. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising before bringing the users into the physical contact detecting a vicinity of the at least two wireless terminals using wireless communication.

3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 2, wherein said detecting the vicinity of the at least two wireless terminals comprises:

entering the at least two wireless terminals into a group creation mode; and

inquiring the vicinity of the wireless terminals by transmitting a message from a first wireless terminal of the at least two wireless terminals to a second wireless terminal of the at least two wireless terminals over the wireless communication.

4. (Original) The method of claim 3, wherein the message includes information about the first wireless terminal that initiates the process and about the group creation.

5. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 3, wherein said entering the group creation mode comprises the user of the wireless terminal performing an action on the wireless terminal, the action being one of touching an electrode, selecting said group creating mode from a menu of said wireless terminal, and pressing a button.

6. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said detecting said physical contact between the users of the at least two wireless terminals comprises:

transferring a signal via said physical contact between the users of the wireless terminals.

7. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 6, wherein said transferring said signal comprises:

generating said signal in one of the at least two wireless terminals;

transmitting said generated signal to the body of a first user, the first user being the user of the signal generating wireless terminal, and further to the body of a second user being physically connected to the first user; and

detecting the transmitted signal in the wireless terminal of the second user.

8. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said signal includes a low-frequency signal.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the signal frequency is less than 1 megahertz.

10. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said signal includes at least an address of the transmitting wireless terminal, and optionally at least one of clock offset information, and class of device.

11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said physical contact includes one of a handshake and any other contact between the users allowing a signal to pass between the users.

12. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said establishing said group of the physically connected users of the at least two wireless terminals comprises:

confirming the establishment of said group between the users of the wireless terminals by transmitting a message to a wireless terminal of the group over the wireless communication.

13. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein each wireless terminal comprises a low power radio transceiver for the wireless communication and an antenna.

14. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 6, wherein each wireless terminal comprises a PAN transceiver and a contact electrode for generating and transmitting said signal into the body of the user.

15. (Cancelled)

16. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 26, wherein said physical contact is a chain contact where one of the users is physically connected to a second one of the users further being in physical contact with a third one of said users.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein while the users are in the physical contact, each user is also in contact with an electrode further having a connection with the wireless terminal of each respective user.

19. (Currently Amended) A radio wireless communication terminal for group communication with at least one other wireless radio terminal, the wireless radio communication terminal comprising:

a detecting element for detecting ~~the~~ physical contact between ~~a~~the user of the wireless radio terminal and ~~a~~the user of the at least one other wireless radio terminal;

means for participating in the establishment of the group of the wireless radio terminal and the at least one other wireless radio terminal for group communication over a wireless radio link with the at least one other wireless radio terminal of the established group; and

a transceiver for performing wireless radio group communication involving the wireless radio terminal and the at least one other wireless radio terminal of the established group;

wherein the detecting element is located on the wireless radio communication terminal.

20. (Original) The wireless communication terminal of claim 19, wherein said transceiver comprises a short-range radio transceiver and an antenna.

21. (Original) The wireless communication terminal of claim 19, wherein said detecting element comprises a PAN transceiver and an electrode for contacting the body of the user.

22. (Original) The wireless communication terminal of claim 21, wherein said detecting element further comprises a switch to trigger transmission of a signal to the body of the user when in said physical contact.

23. (Original) The terminal of claim 19, wherein said physical contact includes one of a handshake, any contact between the users enabling a small electrical current to flow from a first body of a first user to a second body of a second user, and any contact wherein bodies can exchange digital information coupling capacitively small currents through said body.

24. (Original) The terminal of claim 22, wherein said signal includes a low-frequency signal.

25. (Original) The terminal of claim 24, wherein the signal frequency includes about 100 - 1000 KHz.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein said group comprises at least three wireless user terminals.

27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 26, wherein each of the users of the group are in physical contact with each other upon forming the group.